

SENATE BILL NO. 81

INTRODUCED BY D. HARGROVE

BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION AND THE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TRANSFERRING THE ALLOCATION OF THE MONTANA
AGRICULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES FROM THE DEPARTMENT
OF AGRICULTURE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION; AMENDING
SECTION 2-15-3313, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 2-15-3313, MCA, is amended to read:

"2-15-3313. (Temporary) Definitions. As used in 2-15-3312 through 2-15-3322, the following
definitions apply:

(1) "Agricultural easement" means a conservation easement, as defined in 76-6-104, that is
created to satisfy the core values established in 2-15-3315.

(2) "Commission" means the Montana agricultural heritage commission.

(3) "Department" means the department of ~~agriculture~~ natural resources and conservation
provided for in 2-15-3301 ~~2-15-3001~~.

(4) "Native wild species" means the diversity of native wild plant and animal species and the
ecological and management processes that sustain them.

(5) "Qualified easement holder" means a private, nonprofit organization, land trust, or state
agency. (Terminates July 1, 2003--sec. 15, Ch. 456, L. 1999.)"

NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Effective date.** [This act] is effective July 1, 2001.

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